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REMARKS

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1. Between 7 and 19 December 1953, the Panzer Kaserne in Neubrandenburg was occupied about 80 percent by about 850 to 900 troops, including about 340 to 360 troops with tank insignia, 255 to 270 troops with motor transport insignia and the others wearing black-bordered black epaulets with engineer insignia. Between 4 and 7 December, an undetermined number of JS-1 tanks were repeatedly seen leaving the installation for driving practice in the Fuenfeichen area. Troops observed in the barracks area engaged in physical training, theoretical instruction and fatigue duty. About 80 recruits daily received individual training in the barracks yard.

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2. Between 10 and 19 December, the Panzer Kaserne was occupied almost to capacity. About 80 percent of the windows of the barracks buildings were lighted after nightfall. On 13 December, 9 canvas-covered tanks were seen in the tank sheds south of the installation. did not observe any activity in the training area south and southwest of the installation.

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Comment. According to this and previous information the unidentified Gds Hv Tank SP Regt of the 9th Gds Tank Div and units of the 88th Engr Regt (?) of the Second Gds Army are carried in the Panzer Kaserne as in mid-November.

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